

TEUTONS HALT SLAV ADVANCE ON BRZEZANY

Brusiloff Compelled by Counter-Attacks to Retire at One Point

BLOWS FAIL ELSEWHERE

Germans Twice Repulsed at Other Points in Line, Petrograd Reports

BERNE, July 5.

At a recent conference between the Kaiser, Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg, Field Marshal von Hindenburg and a number of Austrian military and political leaders, Field Marshal von Hindenburg, according to details reaching here, favored a further big offensive. The Austrians were frankly skeptical, it was declared, and the conference finally decided to await the result of Hindenburg's present effort. If that failed, it was agreed to make concessions leading to peace discussions.

PETROGRAD, July 5.

Teutonic army chiefs concentrated counter-attacks today to stop General Brusiloff's offensive, and at one point east of Brzezany, the War Office announced, the pressure of the enemy assault had compelled a retirement, under artillery fire. "East of Lipitza and Dolnina," the statement continued, "the enemy was twice repulsed." This is the first comprehensive counter-offensive move attempted by the enemy since General Brusiloff's offensive of the Russian forces began Sunday. Apparently the enemy did not expect so powerful an assault and counted on breaking it down at once. On the contrary, the revived Russian troops swept forward over all obstacles. The Brzezany sector is being desperately defended by the German and Austrian forces because it is regarded as the key to Lemberg, fifty miles farther northwest.

HAIG STRIKES Foe AGAIN IN BELGIUM

LONDON, July 5. Continuing his tactics of "mixing" his blows at the Germans, Field Marshal Haig last night struck successfully at the enemy southwest of Hollebeke in Belgium. "We advanced our line slightly over a front of 600 yards," he reported today. The new "uppercut" at the German lines found its impact in that section near where the British achieved their great gains by the Messines-Wytschaete ridge victory. There has been but little fighting in this salient for a week. Hollebeke is three miles southeast of Ypres. It is the northern point in the sharp angle formed at Comines by the junction of the Ypres-Lille canal and the River Lys. At the time of the Messines-Wytschaete victory the Germans were reported to be evacuating this angle because of the difficulty in defending its marshy lowlands and because the two waterways hemmed in the forces in the evacuation, however, was mostly of the southern part of the angle and the German lines held firm around Ostaverneem, Wambeke and Hollebeke.

GERMANS CEASE ATTACKS ALONG AISNE AND MEUSE

PARIS, July 5. Active artillery in the regions of Montcornet, Prunay and Hill 304 was reported in today's official statement. The German massed infantry attacks south of Laon and around Verdun had apparently ceased in the withering defensive fire of the French.

CROWDER ORDERS SPEED ON DRAFT

Lottery to Be Staged on Day Following Completion of Local Boards

RETURNS ASKED AT ONCE

WASHINGTON, July 5. The momentous draft lottery will be staged in the capital on the day following completion of organizations of the local exemption boards. "The minute the local boards are completed and have numbered more than 3,000,000 registration cards we will be ready for the draft," was the official announcement from Provost General Crowder's office today. General Crowder has urged that the boards finish their labors before Saturday. He emphasized that every day lost now means a day lost in organization of the armies of the United States. In a message to every board General Crowder declared it was an imperative national necessity that the serially numbered copies of the cards be in the hands of the State's adjutant general and another copy mailed to Washington before Saturday. "The first test of the efficiency of the great national war organization of which you are an important member comes now," the message read. "Time is the most important element in the conduct of a war. It is plain to see how great is the nation's dependence on each particular man in the ranks."

THE WEATHER

FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity—Fair tonight and Friday; slightly warmer Friday; gentle variable winds. LENGTH OF DAY Sun rises... 5:11 a.m. Moon rises... 4:11 p.m. Sun sets... 7:51 p.m. Moon sets... 12:23 a.m. DELAWARE RIVER TIDE CHANGES CHESTNUT STREET High water... 2:30 p.m. Low water... 9:08 a.m. TEMPERATURE AT EACH HOUR

DENIES SOFT COAL MEN ARE IN COMBINATION

Testimony Offered at Trial in New York to Show Competition Is Keen

NEW YORK, July 5.—That competition between coal-producing groups precludes the combination in restraint of trade among any single group of coal operators was the gist of testimony for the defense at the federal trial of the so-called soft coal trust here today. George W. Cushing, editor of The Black Diamond, a weekly coal journal published in Chicago, testified that 50 per cent more coal is mined than in sold every year. This fact, he asserted, made competition among coal operators too keen to permit any group to fix prices.

Cushing's testimony was intended to show that the West Virginia soft coal producers, who are on trial, could not have established a combination in restraint of the coal trade. The indicted operators admit being organized, but deny price fixing.

Cushing pointed out that the West Virginia operators had organized to protect themselves from the encroachments of the Pittsburgh and Illinois producers' groups on their field. This field, over which Cushing said the three groups are fighting, is, roughly, all the United States east of the Mississippi River.

Cushing expressed the opinion that transportation rates fixed by the Interstate Commerce Commission had enabled the Pittsburgh and Illinois groups to take business away from the West Virginians. He added that further rate fixing by the commission would add to the West Virginians' disadvantage.

PAGE TELLS ITALIANS VICTORY IS U. S. AIM

Will Not Sheathe Sword Until Autocracy Is Smashed, Envoy Tells Rome Crowds

ROME, July 5.—"America will not sheathe the sword she has drawn until there is a final decisive victory over autocracy," declared American Ambassador Thomas Nelson Page at Rome's monster celebration of the American Fourth of July. Page was the central figure in the demonstration, which was the most impressive and the most enthusiastic Italy has witnessed in years. Thousands jammed Capitol square and cheered America again and again. Some of the nation's highest officials were present. Premier Boselli presided and his words of appreciation of America's aid to the Allies evoked enthusiasm.

DUAL GOVERNMENT RULING IN CHINA

Manchu Regime at Peking Defied by Republicans at Nanking

CIVIL WAR IMMINENT

Washington Hears Republic Is by No Means Extinct—Japan "Neutral"

TIENSIN, China, July 5. China has two governments today. In Peking the young Manchu Emperor rules by the grace of a powerful army. In the south of China the Republicans have established a provisional government in Nanking with Baron Feng Kwo Chang as President. The military Governor of Chi-Li Province is sending his army to Peking to enforce an ultimatum which he had previously served upon General Chang Hsun. It demanded the removal of General Chang Hsun's army from Peking.

Princes Pu Lun, Chinese envoy to the St. Louis Exposition in 1904, has been put to death in Peking, charged with treason. There have been a number of other executions.

Li Yuan-Hung, ex-President of China, is to be exiled, according to information from Peking today.

At the present time the deposed President is a fugitive in the Japanese legation in Peking, guarded by Japanese bayonets.

When Li Yuan-Hung fled from the palace he considered the possibility of seeking safety in the American legation. It was said, but changed his mind and went to the Japanese Minister.

There are reports of fighting in the south and the massing of armies throughout the empire indicates that if civil war is not already under way it is imminent.

There is much curiosity as to the future relations between the Government of the new emperor and that of Japan. There are persistent reports that Japan will land troops in China to "protect Japanese interests."

Alcohol Prices Advanced

NEW YORK, July 5.—Leading distillers have advanced prices for grain and sugarcane alcohol twenty cents a gallon to \$2.84 a gallon for 188 proof.

ALL U. S. AGENTS PRESS SPY HUNT

Government Forces Combined for Campaign Against Enemy Agents

USE SCOTLAND YARD PLAN

Free Cables, Not Navy Department, Believed to Be Source of Trouble

WASHINGTON, July 5. Immediate action for searching for German spy menace today caused the Government to order quick organization of an entirely new secret police system—the National Intelligence Service.

It includes the operatives of the State, War, Navy and Justice Departments. Treasury secret service men will continue to work individually on counterfeit cases.

The others, while retaining their separate organizations under their own chiefs, will co-operate in the spy hunt.

They will meet daily, when information gathered by each branch will be placed at the disposal of the entire Government service.

In its working this new body will be similar to Scotland Yard in Great Britain.

The spy hunt today tended to absolve any navy member from guilt in spreading advance news upon which Germany mobilized her U-boats to waylay United States army transports.

With a new battle record—that between a United States provision ship's convoy and two German submarines—officials, however, were more than ever convinced that Germany spread a flotilla of her submarines to deal death to America's first expeditionary force.

This new battle occurred between submarines and convoying warships which protected a big navy transport bearing provisions and sold to pay the Siamese ahead. Officials said it was possible this incident might have been the one recorded in dispatches recently which said a veritable treasure ship for a lurking submarine escaped from mines and submarines.

This navy transport headed for shallow shore waters when the engagement opened, thereby making it easy liable to attack by the submarine.

Two torpedoes were discharged, both going wide of their mark.

The destroyer convoys soon drove the submarines off.

Secretary of the Navy Daniels indicated strongly that the Navy Department had been thoroughly investigated, and that he was

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JOE BUSH COULDN'T STOP THE BARRIERS

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U. S. WILL DOUBLE NUMBER OF U-BOAT CHASERS

WASHINGTON, July 5.—U-boat chasers have proved so successful that the output is to be doubled, it developed at the Navy Department today. A large number of them is expected to join those already in European waters before many weeks elapse.

THIRTEEN ITALIAN SHIPS SUNK IN WEEK

ROME, July 5.—The destruction of thirteen Italian ships was announced today. These included one steamship, eight sailing vessels and four fishing boats.

JUNE TAXES AGGREGATED \$1,229,182.43

A total of \$1,229,182.43 in taxes was paid to the city during June, according to the statement of Receiver of Taxes W. Freedland Kendrick. Of this sum \$451,139.63 was paid on account of city taxes for the current year, \$198,256.36 school taxes, \$142,290.88 personal tax and \$296,980.67 for water rents. The total collections of the Receiver for the first six months of the current year amounted to \$15,185,374.93, an increase of \$2,201,388.93 over the amount paid in during the corresponding period last year.

BRITISH STEAMSHIP REPORTS HITTING SUBMARINE

AN AMERICAN PORT, July 5.—A British steamship arriving here today with seventy-nine passengers reported that a shot from her guns apparently struck a German submarine at 7:20 p. m. July 26, the U-boat disappearing in a cloud of black smoke. The submarine appeared on the port side about five hundred yards distant and was immediately engaged.

CANADIANS AND HOOVER TO CONFER ON WHEAT PRICES

WINNIPEG, July 5.—The executive committee of the Canadian Board of Grain Supervisors left for Washington Wednesday to confer with Food Controller Hoover upon final details of the plan for international regulation of wheat prices.

ENGINEERS REFUSE TO OBEY I. W. W. ORDERS

BUTTE, July 5.—The Engineers' Union has turned down the demand of the I. W. W. Miners' Union that it quit operation of mine posts and has made a counter-demand on the striking miners that they affiliate with the American Federation of Labor. This action has removed the possibility of a complete shut-down of the mines. President McNulty, of the International American Union, arrived from Washington and will try to discipline the local electricians who joined issues with the I. W. W. mine strikers against the American Federation.

GREEK WAR OFFICE PREPARING FOR ACTION

ATHENS, July 5.—Not since the days of the Balkan War has such activity been seen at the Greek War Office as is now taking place there. It was stated today that Premier Venizelos, who was responsible for the entry of Greece into the war, is taking a leading part in the preparations, not only from a political standpoint, but from a military one as well. The officers and privates of the army took the oath of fidelity to the new Government on Tuesday and afterward marched in review before the Premier. The treaty of alliance with Serbia, which was disregarded by Constantine, is to be put into effect at once.

RIVERSIDE HOSIERY MILLS DESTROYED

Fire Causes Loss of Approximately \$50,000 to Plant—Aid Called From Other Towns

RIVERSIDE, N. J., July 5. Fire of unknown origin today destroyed the Riverside Hosiery Mill, owned by Christian Dick, causing a loss of approximately \$50,000. The blaze had such a start when discovered that firemen could do nothing to save the plant but turn their attention to checking the flames from spreading to other buildings along Railroad Avenue. Beverly, Moorestown, Burlington, Riverton and Palmyra sent firemen and apparatus here to aid the local department.

Saxons Demand Political Reforms

THE HAGUE, July 5.—During debate in the Saxon Diet on Wednesday strong demands were made for political reforms, said a telegram from Berlin today. Some of the speakers declared that the Saxons were only fighting for their own king and not for the German Empire.

Wharton New Crucible Steel Head

PITTSBURGH, Pa., July 5.—At a meeting of the directors of the Crucible Steel Company, O. H. Wharton was elected president of the company to succeed Herbert Dupuy, chairman of the board, who has been acting as president since the death of Mr. Ramsey. Mr. Wharton has been identified with the Crucible Steel Company since its organization.

ALL PERSHING'S FORCE TO BE IN CAMP JULY 15

First Detachment of U. S. Troops Already on Way to War Zone

OTHERS READY TO FOLLOW

American Commander Speeds Up Work to Get Troops in Trim for Trenches

Staff Correspondent of the Evening Ledger in France. (Passed by the censor at Washington.) PARIS, July 5.

MARSHAL JOFFRE was deeply impressed with the appearance of the American soldiers who participated in yesterday's history-making demonstration.

In a conversation which I had with a member of Joffre's personal staff he quoted the Marshal as being particularly impressed with the youth and sturdiness of the American battalion. He believes that the war is to be decided by the vigor and resisting qualities of the youth of the United States, who will replace the youth of France on the battlefield. It was such soldiers, he says, who saved France at the battle of the Marne and again at Verdun.

Marshal Joffre is confident of victory, knowing that the great army of the United States will be composed of men like those of the battalion the Paris populace acclaimed yesterday.

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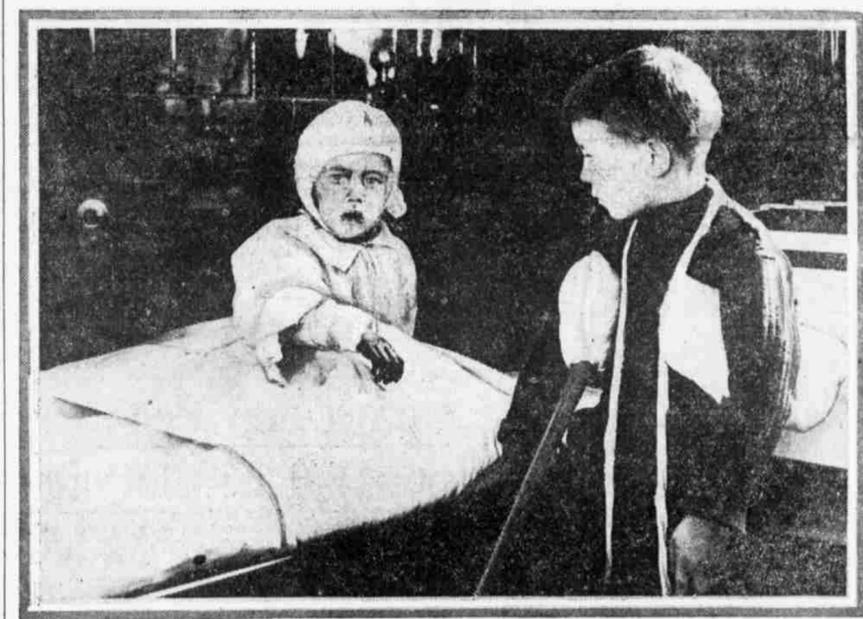
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LITTLE VICTIMS OF GERMANY'S WAR OF HATE



School children recovering from burns and wounds received in the Teutons' "most successful" air raid over London in which bombs were thrown upon a schoolhouse in the tenement district. Scores of little children were killed or maimed. No military advantage was achieved. Airman who participated in the raid have been decorated for their "valor."

HOLLWEG BEFORE REICHSTAG TODAY

Peace and Electoral Reforms Likely to Be Discussed by Chancellor

KAISER TO GO TO VIENNA

AMSTERDAM, July 5. Greatest interest is centered in the scheduled meeting of the German Reichstag today throughout Germany. First Berlin dispatches today reported that Imperial Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg might seize the occasion to make formal reply to British Premier Lloyd George's recent Glasgow speech amplifying on the British war aims and asserting that there can be no peace without a victory.

Of scarcely lesser interest throughout the country was the report of the constitution committee expected to be submitted at the opening session of the German parliamentary body and the action to be taken on it. Back in May the constitution committee, headed by Philip Scheidemann, leader of the majority Socialists, made several recommendations for changes in Germany's governmental system. It worked at that time Kaiser's demands upon Bethmann-Hollweg urging a readjustment of certain inequalities in the Government. Shortly afterward, however, a certain class of German radical Socialists, of the Ledebour, Haase and Liebknecht type, discovered that the "reforms" suggested by the committee were more shams.

The committee recommended that the Chancellor be made responsible to the Reichstag in his actions. The move was hailed throughout Germany as a great reform step. But the committee promptly vitiated this by formally voting that the Reichstag had no power to remove the

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\$8,000,000 BRIDGE MAY SPAN RIVER

Steel Alloy and Concrete Structure Proposed by Engineering Firm

APPROACHES BY SPIRALS

A steel alloy and re-enforced concrete suspension bridge between Philadelphia and Camden, to cost \$8,000,000, was proposed to the Delaware River Bridge and Tunnel Commission at its office, 285 Market street, Camden, today by J. A. L. Waddell & Son, New York, consulting engineers.

After a thorough survey Waddell & Son prepared the report and submitted it free of charge.

The report, which is long, sets forth that the proposal combines a maximum of economy with a maximum of service and is the best proposal yet made for linking Philadelphia and Camden.

The bridge would utilize what is known as "spiral construction," which would obviate the necessity of expensive condemnation of land and payment of heavy damages for approaches on either side of the river. The approaches would be in huge spirals, 400 feet in diameter, and these would be built over the river.

The spirals or towers at either end of the bridge would be about 375 feet in height and would be like huge, winding stairways, except that the grade would be gradual instead of with steps. The bridge would have a width of 114 feet for traffic—a forty-foot roadway for vehicles in the middle, rapid transit or trolley tracks on the outside, and twelve-foot promenades. The vehicle roadway and the car tracks would be extended down the spirals and pedestrian

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TO REGISTER CITY'S WOMEN ON MONDAY

Policemen Will Make Censuses in Interest of Food Conservation

TO FORM "HOOVER'S ARMY"

Because of the vastness of the "bluecoat" machinery that must be whipped into shape to enlist the 605,000 women in Philadelphia in Hoover's army, the day of registration for this city in the United States Food Administrator's plan has been postponed from Saturday to Monday.

Announcement of this was made today by Prof. J. Russell Smith, chairman of the Mayor's Food Commission, that is handling the enlistment in this city. Professor Smith made a forceful plea for the "woman's army" before some two hundred women assembled in the New Century Clubhouse at 124 South Twelfth street today for the purpose of planning the follow up work of the police force which is to be pressed into service as recruiting officers for "Hoover's army."

Doctor Smith explained in full the aims and plans of the enlistment and said that, while the bulk of the work is to be done by the police, who will make a house-to-house canvass of every home in the city, the city needs, as it never needed before, women to take up the work on the blue-coats and spread the gospel of food saving.

Pursuant to this nearly every woman present rose and volunteered to put her shoulder to the nation's burden and work tirelessly to see that every woman in Philadelphia over the age of fifteen years signed the pledge card that has come directly from the United States Food Administration.

Hoover Pledge committees in each ward

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How Philadelphians Spent July Fourth

SCENES at the choral, neighborhood celebrations and the like all re-enacted in a full

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